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Application of: KOFOD, Bent Karsten

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For: CLAMPING TOOL

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 19, 2002, please enter the following amendments and remarks into the above-identified Application for the Examiner's review and consideration.

IN THE CLAIMS:

A marked-up version of the amended claims, including revisions and insertions, is attached as Appendix A. A complete set of currently pending claims, reflecting these amendments, is attached as Appendix B.

Please rewrite claims 1, 11 and 19 as follows:

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1. (Amended) A clamping tool for clamping a workpiece to a support by means of a bar system constructed of a number of mutually pivotal bars and comprising an activation bar for making the bars pivot mutually between an initial position and a locking position, a clamping bar having at least one thrust shoe for pressing against the workpiece in the locking position, and a base for mounting the bar system on the support, wherein the bar system furthermore comprises at least two toggle joints each toggle joint comprising two joints pivotally connected to one another, said two toggle joints arranged to substantially simultaneously assume a dead point position when the bar system is taken from the initial position to the locking position, and further wherein said two toggle joints form an angle with each other in the dead point positions.